

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: April 16, 2003

Division: BOCC

Bulk Item: Yes X No

Department: DISTRICT 5

AGENDA ITEM WORDING: Approval to direct staff to work with Key Largo Kampground and Marina to make improvements to Samson Road as requested on February 4, 2003.

ITEM BACKGROUND: Tradewinds Hammocks, Ltd. will soon complete 66 units of affordable housing behind the Tradewinds Shopping Plaza at Mile Marker 101. This will add additional cars and many more children on Samson Road. Safety issues, signage, and a childrens' walking path must be provided to insure a safe entrance and egress from this site. List of improvements is attached.

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTION:

CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES:

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

TOTAL COST: unknown

BUDGETED: Yes No

COST TO COUNTY:

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

REVENUE PRODUCING: Yes No **AMOUNT PER MONTH** **Year**

APPROVED BY: County Atty OMB/Purchasing Risk Management

DIVISION DIRECTOR APPROVAL:

Murray E Nelson 1dk
MAYOR PRO TEM MURRAY NELSON

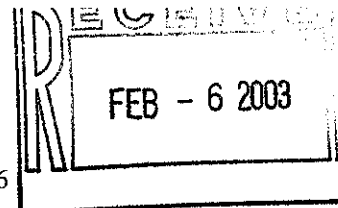
DOCUMENTATION: Included X To Follow Not Required

DISPOSITION:

AGENDA ITEM # 05

Key Largo Kampground and Marina

101551 OVERSEAS HIGHWAY
KEY LARGO, FLORIDA 33037-4596
Telephone (305) 451-1431



Monroe County Commissioners
Murray Nelson, District 5 Commissioner
99198 Overseas Highway
Key Largo, Florida 33037

February 4, 2003

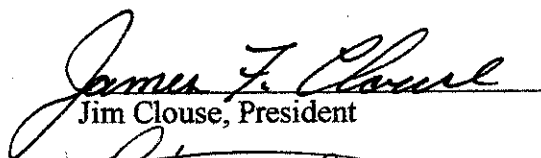
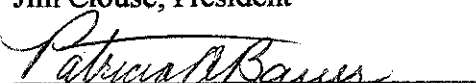
Dear Commissioners:

The 171 property owners, taxpayers, and voters of Key Largo Kampground & Marina Condominium still are concerned about the housing project next to us. A year ago we attended council meetings and wrote letters about our safety concerns as was requested by the Commissioners.

This month the first residents will be moving into the housing project. Nothing seems to have been done about our safety concerns for all of the users of Samson Road. The increase of traffic, both vehicle and pedestrian has not been addressed. The eastern portion of the road has not been widened, speed limit signs have not been posted, and the bike or sidewalk path has not been started. During the process of construction, Samson Road was frequently reduced to one lane and no caution lights or signs appeared. Many persons leaving Tradewinds Shopping Center fail to realize there is two-way traffic east of the exit they are using and pull out in front of vehicles and pedestrians.

Please send us a time line when we can expect the widening of Samson Road, bike or walk path construction, and signs for speed and two way traffic to be addressed.

Sincerely yours,


Jim Clouse, President

Patricia A. Bauer, Secretary

Cc: Tim Mc Garry, Director Growth Management
Mr. Peter Rosasco



IMPROVEMENTS FOR SAMSON ROAD – KEY LARGO

1. Widen Samson Road for the full distance.
2. Install speed limit signs.
3. Provide sidewalks on both sides of road.
4. Install double striping down middle of road.
5. Provide right hand turn lane for north bound U.S. 1 traffic.